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## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO EX PARTE QUAYLE ACTION**

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Ex Parte Quayle Action dated March 30, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.